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Befurt et al.

Serial No.: 10/551,730

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For: Dye Based On At Least One Polymer Dispersion
And Method for Application of the Dye

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	6.	Laying-Open Specification document of DE 1 669 311
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